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In re the application of:

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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RESPONSE

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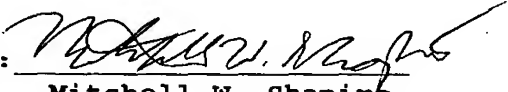
Sir:

Responding to the Office Action mailed May 16, 2002  
and to the requirement for restriction therein, applicants  
elect to prosecute in this application the invention  
designated as Group I (Claims 1-7 and 21-26). Applicants  
reserve the right to file one or more divisional patent  
applications with regard to the non-elected invention.

An action on the merits of the claims to the elected  
invention is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, then such extension is hereby requested.

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